

CLASSIFICATION **CONFIDENTIAL**COUNTRY Poland/CzechoslovakiaREPORT NO. [REDACTED]TOPIC Air Activity Observed over Ratibor and Benescv

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REFERENCES \_\_\_\_\_

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REMARKS \_\_\_\_\_

- 25X1 [REDACTED] there was no airfield in existence in the area of Ratibor (Raciborz-P51/Y05) prior to November 1953.<sup>1</sup> There was an airfield on Czech territory, near Beneschau (Benescv-P50/049), 10 to 15 km south of Kranstaedt. Air activity over the field could be observed from Poland. Mainly, obsolete single-engine monoplanes with piston engines and marked by Czech national emblems made individual local flights. During air activity the aircraft sometimes crossed over Polish territory and apparently was tolerated by the authorities. No modern type aircraft or four-engine aircraft were observed by source.<sup>2</sup>
- 25X1 1. [REDACTED] Comment. No airfield has been reported to exist in the Ratibor district.
- 25X1 2. [REDACTED] Comment. Benescv airfield in Czechoslovakia has a sodded landing field, about 1 x 1 km, and a concrete runway. Right after World War II the field had been reconstructed. Air activity observed indicates that a school for pre-military training is located in the area.

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